RAWR
...
Why won't you release the next chapter?!
W...
Can I help you?

What can I do to help?
B-b-but! I don't know how to edit or translate .....
Fan Girl
I

It's not like YOU helped out any.
We don't have enough translators or editors.
Stop yelling already.
!!!
...

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IN ORDER TO SETTLE THE PAST, HOKUTO MAKES A FINAL DECISION!

EXACTLY WHEN THEY THOUGHT PEACE WOULD RETURN TO THEIR LIVES, HOKUTO AND CHIWA ARE ATTACKED.

AND A SHOCKING TRUTH THAT HIS FATHER HAD KEPT A SECRET IS REVEALED...

THE FINAL, MOVING VOLUME OF THE UNBELIEVABLE WEDDING LOVE STORY!

HOKUTO REMEMBERS HIS MOTHER'S DEATH AND BLAMES HIMSELF FOR POWERLESS TO HELP HER.

IS A BRIGHT FUTURE WHAT AWAITS THE COUPLE OR..?

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Mamiya or not, Hokuto is still much hotter that his vindictive and personality-depreived cousins! Hmph!

- Lacaille

Ideally

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FOR WHAT REASON DO PEOPLE GET MARRIED?!

THANK YOU FOR WATCHING OVER
THESE TWO FOR THREE AND A
HALF YEARS! <3

ENJOUJI MAKI

Ici Ai Ki

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Steady
~Happy Marriage!?~

CHARACTER

MAMIYA CHIWA
(MAIDEN NAME: TAKANASHI)
A LITTLE CLUMSY BUT CHEERFUL WOMAN
MAMIYA HOKUTO
PRESIDENT OF MAMIYA TOURISM
ABILITY TO LIVE ON HIS OWN: 0

SOUMA TAEKO

SECRETARY OF THE MAMIYAS. OVER 50, DESPITE THE WAY SHE LOOKS.

CHAIRMAN MAMIYA

THE PREVIOUS CHAIRMAN OF THE MAMIYA CORPORATION. HOKUTO'S GRANDFATHER.

STORY

Chiwa's motto: "I absolutely do not dream of men! I will live a steady life!"
... Or at least it was.

But her circumstances were completely overturned when she married the president of her company, Hokuto, because she had to pay off a debt her father left her. Even though it was a contract marriage, Chiwa fell in love with Hokuto.

After the death of Hokuto's father, Seiji, she receives a posthumous letter from him and thus learns the truth about the death of Hokuto's mother. She doesn't tell anyone about it and worries over it alone.

Meanwhile, Hokuto's appointment as next chairman is almost completely settled. He receives threatening letters and things around him become increasingly suspicious, when he is attacked by a hoodlum. Chiwa covers for him...

Step 10

~Happy Marriage!?~

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* This is the final volume! I'll see you off with more than the usual freetalk pages. (-Note from the horrified translator: Oh, happy day... @.@-)

* Fortunately, a lot of unexpected happy things happened to this manga- it was turned into a novel, it was voiced by wonderful voice actors in Youtube, and as it was announced... It's France, madam! A lot of the plans I had really came true in the distant land of France over the seas!

* First, I gave an interview for a French manga magazine. It was three color pages, so I felt what it's like to be a popular manga artist. By the way, I've never had an interview published in Japan...

* I received "Hapi Mari Lunch Box." (The picture below.) They were especially made and are rare items, not for sale. They even have hashi to match. XD Several of them should exist somewhere in France, but I wonder if anyone is using them..? And what kind of meals go into those lunch boxes..? Seems that boxed lunches are a hit there, now.

* The manga was made into a six-volume hard cover especially-made tankoubon. When you open the cover, there are several full color bookmarks and postcards there, and ah, it's so gorgeous. The price was a little high, so I wonder if they sold well... They were so gorgeous it makes me worry about them. The tankoubon was black and white, so I'm very happy to have those printed in full color.

* All those items were sold and distributed only in France, so you can't get them in Japan, but the truth is, I wish I could see them in Japan, too. XD

So, that's how it is. I used this space in the last volume to make my report. Thank you for everything, Kaze Company!
I was happy.

37TH STEP
COULD WE START ALL OVER AGAIN,
BUT TOGETHER?

Such stuff is usually penciled in Volume 1 but...

It's the last volume!
Profile 1 / Chiwa

Birthday: 25th of September 1986
Blood Type: O
Height: 164 cm
Weight: Secret kg
C-cup (according to Kokuto's measurement)
Loves: husband, John (the dog)
Hates: sophism, darkness, Katagiri-sensei

Re-reading volume one, I piled lots of sexual harassment on her then.

Also, I wrote a comment about feeling like drawing her having this and that kind of trouble with her mother-in-law, but her mother-in-law was actually deceased...
(what am I, an idiot?)
I chose her this name because it sounds cute.

Drip

.....!

POLICE!

POLICE!

HORRIBLE! CALL AN AMBU-LANCE!

SOMEONE CALL AN AMBU-LANCE!

BA-

THUMP

SO

I'M ALL RIGHT

HOLD TO

THE POLICE

MUST CAPTURE HIM

NO

O

O

THUMP

HUFF

QUIC...

HUR... RY...

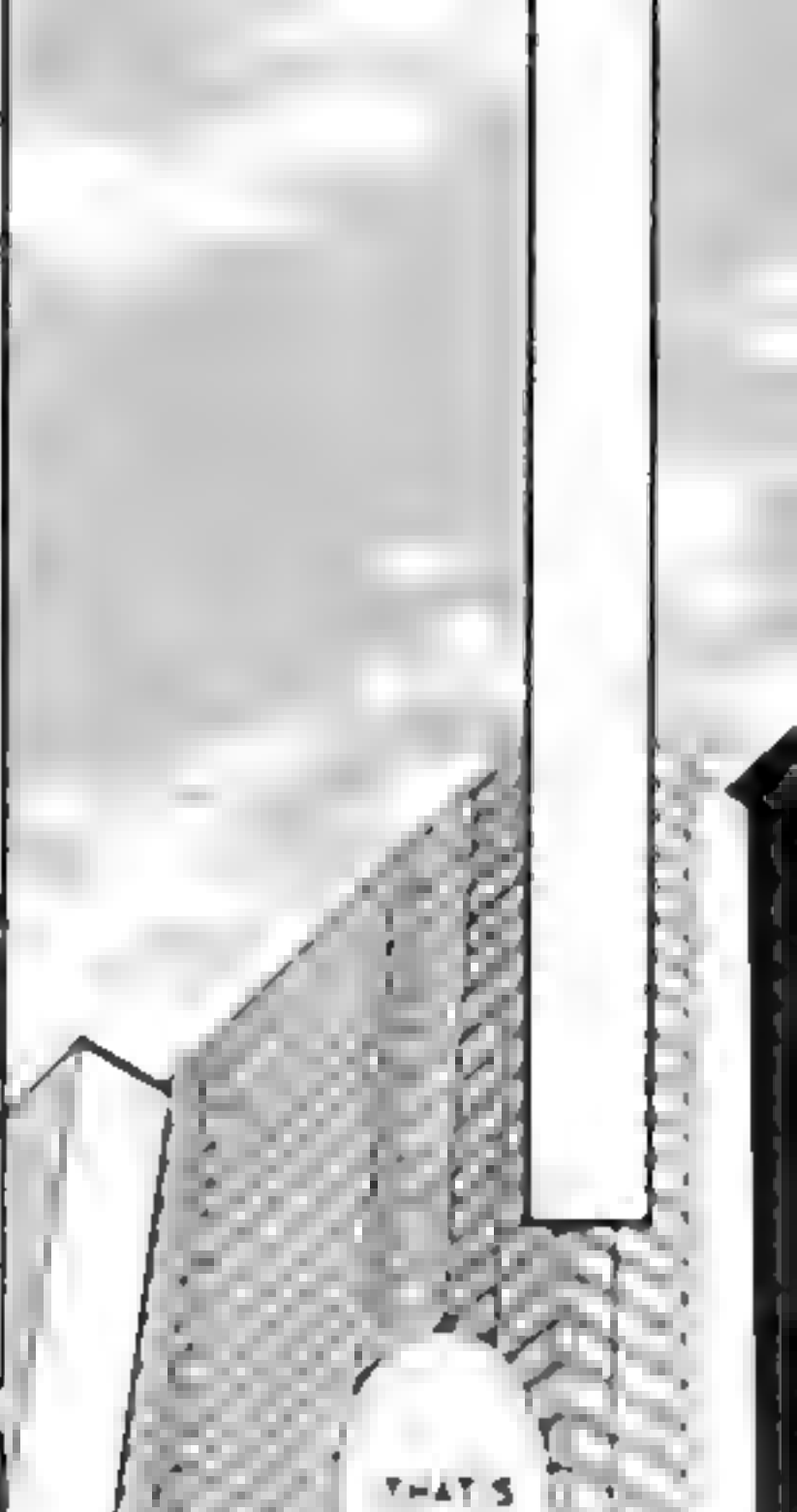
WHERE'S THAT AMBU- LANCE?!

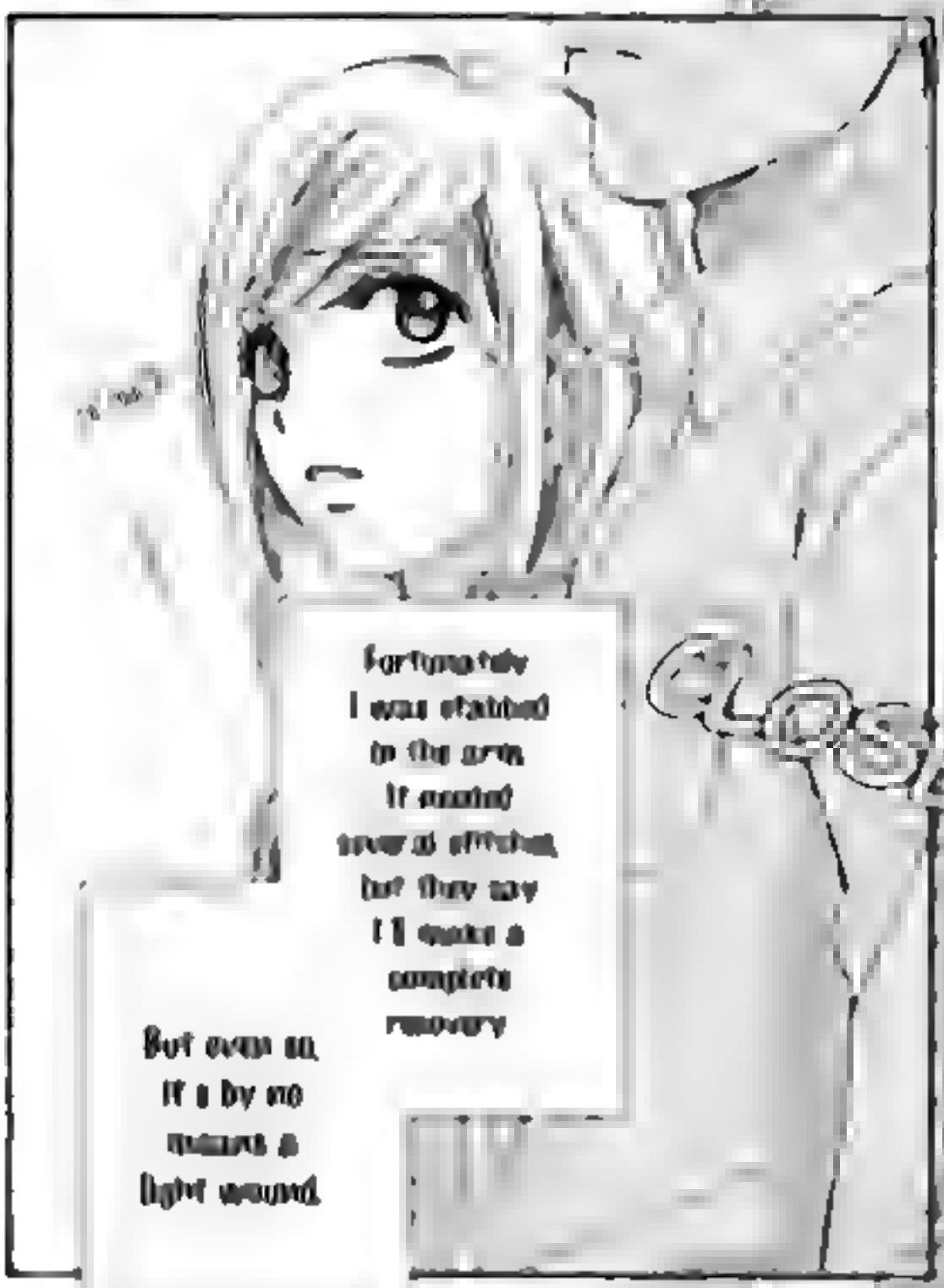
BLOOD! THIS IS TERRIBLE!

But I always felt Hokuto's presence close to me.

So I don't remember what happened after that very well.

The pain and the blood loss overwhelmed me.





Fortunately I was stabbed in the arm. It caused severe effusion, but they say I'll make a complete recovery

But even so, it is by no means a light wound.

I SHOULD..

...GET LUNCH READY.

HM, BUT MAYBE A MEAL DELIVERY WOULD BE ALL RIGHT, TOO?

THEY SAID I NEEDED TO REST. . WHAT DO YOU WANT TO EAT?

Hokuto has been blaming himself all along.

WHAT DO YOU

.WANT FOR LUN—

...

HOKUTO!

Ah!

That is why...

In that moment, he remembered his mother's death and couldn't move an inch.

JUST TO MAKE THIS CLEAR,

I DO NOT REGRET YOU WEREN'T THE ONE STABBED, EVEN IF I'M IN THIS CONDITION, HOKUTO.

I JUMPED IN FRONT OF YOU BECAUSE I WANTED TO.

IF I HADN'T COVERED UP FOR YOU,

I WOULD HAVE ALWAYS BLAMED MYSELF FOR IT.

LET'S HAVE LUNCH!

YOU'RE GOING TO THE COMPANY IN THE AFTERNOON, RIGHT?

I'LL NEVER FORGIVE.

..THE PERSON WHO DID THIS TO YOU

These words again... from his mouth...

NEVER.

NOT ME

I thought
it would
make him
say more
than
that

CHOWA-
SAN!

I HEARD
YOU'RE
HURT BUT
IT'S SUCH A
SILLY AS
INJURY

SAORI-SAN,

WHAT'S THE EMERGENCY MEETING TODAY FOR?

YES.

There are people who worry about us right here, and yet...

Ah, my

WHAT...?! BE MORE CARE-FUL!

So he hasn't heard the particu-lars.

EH, YES.

I TRIPPED AND FELL BADLY.

MORE IMPOR-TANTLY, HOKUTO-SAN?

WHO KNOWS? I DON'T

WHAT ABOUT HIM?

WHAT'S WITH HIM? THE ATMO-SPHERE AROUND HIM IS

SOMEHOW SCARY

I'm sure it's because he thinks the one behind that attack is here.

Tokyo's exorcism has been the talk of the town.

The Vampire house called for an emergency meeting.

I have a bad feeling

THE REASON WE ARE GATHERED HERE TODAY,

I WAS THINKING AND

Sigh

I DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT WHEN I RECEIVED IT

Sigh

IS BECAUSE OF SOME MAJOR NEWS I RECEIVED YESTERDAY

DON'T BEAT AROUND THE BUSH SAY IT STRAIGHT.

Talking

Talking

?

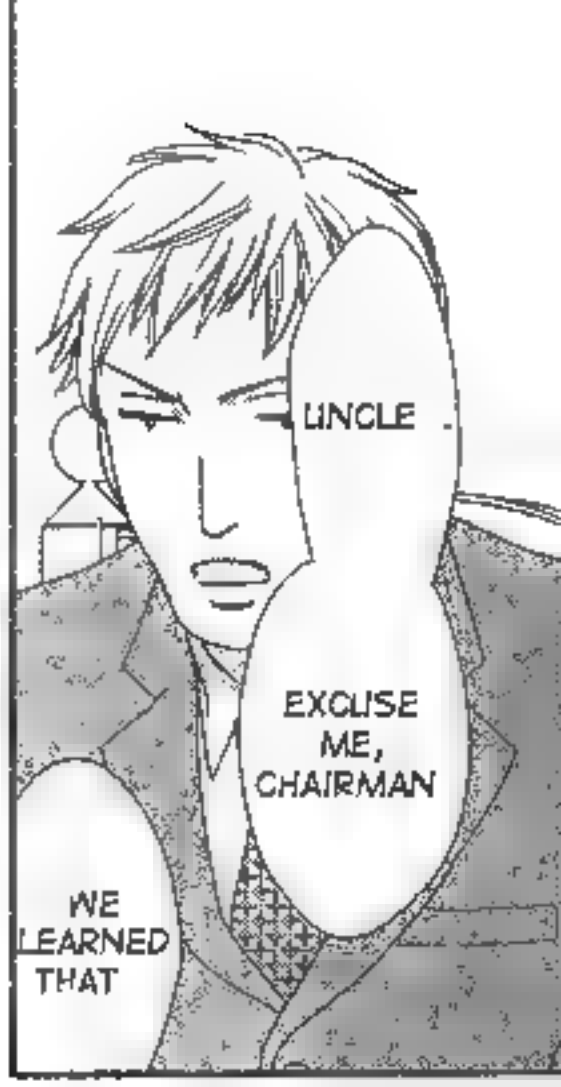
IF IT'S TRUE...

IT CANNOT BE IGNORED...

Personally?

AFTER ALL, I PERSONALLY THINK THAT

?


UNCLE
EXCUSE ME, CHAIRMAN
WE LEARNED THAT

...THE ONE CALLING HIMSELF MAMIYA HOKUTO...
...ACTUALLY IS NOT UNCLE SEIJI'S REAL SON OR EVEN RELATED TO HIM..

That's...

Why...

WHA...

Talking

Talking

Talking

EH?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, KUNIO?!

SLAM

T-THAT'S A GROUND-LESS ACCUSATION!

I'M SORRY, GRAND-FATHER, BUT...

...IT'S THE TRUTH.

.....

UNCLE HAS BEEN DECEIVING US ALL ALONG!

C-CHAIR-MAN!

DROP

BUT THAT ASIDE, THIS NEWS MEANS THAT MAN HASN'T GOT A DROP OF MAMIYA BLOOD IN HIM

Horrible... Horrible!

How could they reve... father in-law's secret

...in this way at such a place?!

HERE'S A COPY

FLAP

OF THE CLINICAL RECORDS I OBTAINED

UNCLE SEIJI WAS STERILE

SO THERE'S NO WAY HE COULD HAVE FATHERED A BASTARD CHILD

HE KNEW THAT AND YET

HE CONTINUED TO HIDE THAT MAN'S REAL PARENTAGE

Hokuto...

WHAT DO YOU ALL THINK?

I PUT FORWARD A MOTION FOR MAMIYA HOKUTO'S INSTANT DISMISSAL FROM THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT OF MAMIYA TOURISM

Talking

Talking

AND DISQUALIFYING H.M FROM THE COMPETITION FOR NEXT CHAIRMAN

Slam

WAIT A MOMENT!

NO MATTER WHO HIS PARENTS WERE,

DO YOU REALIZE HOW MUCH HE HAS DONE FOR THE GROUP UNTIL NOW?

HE TURNED MAMIYA ENTERPRISES INTO A STABLE AND SECURE COMPANY AND THE TOURISM DIVISION INTO A—

AND I THINK HE IS MATERIAL UNFIT FOR THIS GROUP.

SLAM

Satoru-san...

LET'S GO.

EH?

WE HAVE NO MORE BUSINESS WITH THIS PLACE

WE'RE THE ONES WHO HAVE NO MORE BUSINESS WITH YOU!

HURRY UP AND GET OUT!

Turn

Horrible... Why are they going so far?

BOW

AH..

STEP

STEP

So, so mortifying!

This is so mortifying.

In a single moment, twenty years of Hokuto's life were destroyed.

YOU...

EH...

YOU KNEW, RIGHT?

ABOUT MY FATHER.

IS THIS WHAT YOU WANTED TO TALK TO ME ABOUT?

YOUR REACTION.

YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN THE MOST SURPRISED ONE.

WHEN WE GET HOME,

TELL ME EVERY-THING

I'M SORRY

I DIDN'T KNOW WHEN TO BRING IT UP

JOLT

SIGH...

IN OTHER WORDS,

FATHER WAS ALWAYS UNDER ATTACK FROM SOMEONE INSIDE MAMIYA WHO WAS TRYING TO DISTANCE HIM FROM THE CHAIRMAN'S SEAT

THAT PERSON WAS MISTAKENLY CONVINCED THAT I WAS HIS HEIR

AND THEREFORE WAS AFRAID THAT HARM WOULD COME TO MOTHER AND ME AND SO FATHER CAME TO WARN US.

"I have no words to apologize to that boy."

BUT HIS WARNING DIDN'T REACH US, AND THE BODYGUARDS PROVED USELESS.

AND THUS MY MOTHER COVERED UP FOR ME.

AND DIED IN AN ACCIDENT.

THE REAL TARGET..

...WAS NOT MOTHER, BUT...

"If only I had not meddled."

...ME.

THEY WASTED TWENTY YEARS OF YOUR LIFE, HOKUTO

THEY HURT GRANDFATHER AND SO MANY PEOPLE..!

NO MATTER WHAT THE TRUTH IS,

YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO LEARN IT THIS WAY.

I..

I CAN'T TAKE THIS..!

WASTED?

IS THAT WHAT YOU JUST SAID?

THE OLD MAN CHOSE ME TO MARRY OFF TO YOU BECAUSE I WAS THE MOST DECENT ONE AMONG HIS GRANDCHILDREN.

JUST TO MAKE THIS CLEAR,

PREACH

PREACH

SATORU-SAN WAS ALREADY MARRIED, SO HE WAS OUT. IF I WAS A DAMNED GOOD-FOR-NOTHING, HE WOULD HAVE MARRIED YOU TO ONE OF THE REST OF THE LOT.

N-NO...

PREACH

DO YOU STILL THINK THAT ALL I'VE BEEN DOING UNTIL NOW IS A WASTE?!

PREACH

HEY, DID YOU WANT TO MARRY ONE OF MY SHITTY COUSINS?

?!

EH?!

PAT

IF YOU CRY, YOU'RE PLAYING STRAIGHT INTO THEIR HANDS.

RAISE YOUR HEAD DON'T CRY.

I WAS ABLE TO MEET YOU AND YOU, TO MEET ME.

NOTHING IS WASTED.

NO MATTER WHAT THE TRUTH IS, WE'RE NONE THE WORSE.

LIFT YOUR FACE.

THAT'S WHY,

WE'VE LOST NOTHING.

YES...!

Just as I believed...

...Hokuto is not imprisoned in his past anymore.

I WONDER IF THE OLD MAN WILL RECOVER

He lost your grandma's blood line

WHAT?

EHM ABOUT YOUR FATHER.

WHAT DO YOU THINK OF HIM NOW?

STAND

AND NOW,

WE HAVE TO THINK OF HOW TO ACT FROM NOW ON.

HOKUTO

DON'T WORRY.

JUST AS I TOLD YOU BEFORE, I THINK WE'RE FATHER AND SON, BEYOND ANY DOUBT.

THE ONE WHO HAD ALWAYS BEEN ILL AT EASE WAS HIM BECAUSE I WASN'T HIS OWN.

BUT .. BUT EVEN SO...

HIS FEELINGS FOR YOU WERE REAL. . AND SO... EHM...

M-MAYBE HE WANTED TO RAISE YOU ..

. BECAUSE HE FELT RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTERING YOUR LIFE THE WAY HE DID.

I'M RELIEVED.

AS FOR ME,

I LEARNED THE REASON I DIDN'T INHERIT THAT GUY'S SCRUPULOUS GENE.

?

I'VE BEEN THINKING,

ABOUT THE ONE WHO ATTACKED ME,

AND THREATENED YOU

AT FIRST, I THOUGHT IT WAS ONE OF MY COUSINS, BUT TODAY I REALIZED THAT'S NOT TRUE

THEY'RE SATISFIED JUST TO SEE ME BROUGHT DOWN AND BANISHED.

THAT AGAIN .

Putting up a brave front.

That's so like Hokuto.

THEY SOMEHOW LEARNED THAT YOU'RE DRAWING CLOSER TO THE TRUTH ABOUT MY MOTHER'S DEATH AND THAT'S EVEN MORE REASON TO NOT WANT ME IN THE CHAIRMAN'S POSITION.

WHEN I THINK ABOUT IT IN THIS WAY, IT CLICKS TOGETHER.

MAYBE THAT TOO WAS CONNECTED

He's saying the same things as Shitara-san!..

THE ONE WHO'S BEEN DOING THIS IS THE PERSON FROM TWENTY YEARS AGO

Ah...

I DON'T WANT TO THINK IT, BUT THERE WAS THAT INCIDENT WHEN YOU WERE ALMOST RUN OVER BY A CAR

CHIWA.

WOULD YOU
DIVORCE
ME?

WHAT KIND OF...

EH...?

JOKE...

No.

It's not a joke.

Right now, Hokuto is...

Saying that...

NO!

WHY THIS ALL OF A SUDDEN?!

YOU JUST SAID IT! WE'VE LOST NOTHING!

CHIWA .

I'LL NEVER BREAK UP WITH YOU!

I DON'T WANT TO!

NO!

HOKUTO, YOU TOLD ME YOU'D NEVER LET GO OF ME!

I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT!

BUT I WASN'T REALLY A MAMIYA.

NO...

WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT BREAK-ING UP?

CALM DOWN

I MEANT THAT I WANTED YOU TO BECOME...

...MY LOVER

EH...

JUST HOW MUCH HAS "MAMIYA" DONE TO YOU BY NOW?

YOU EVEN HAD TO SUFFER SUCH A SERIOUS INJURY BECAUSE OF ME .

THIS IS PROBABLY THE ONLY WAY LEFT TO SAVE YOUR LIFE FROM THE CLUTCHES OF MAMIYA'S INFLUENCE.

I DON'T WANT THE SAME THING TO HAPPEN TO YOU AS DID TO MY MOTHER.

ALSO, BECAUSE

"MAMIYA" WAS ALWAYS HANGING OVER OUR MARRIAGE, RIGHT FROM THE START.

NOW THAT IT HAS COME TO THIS, WE CAN THROW IT AWAY AND START EVERYTHING ALL OVER. RIGHT FROM THE START

From the start...

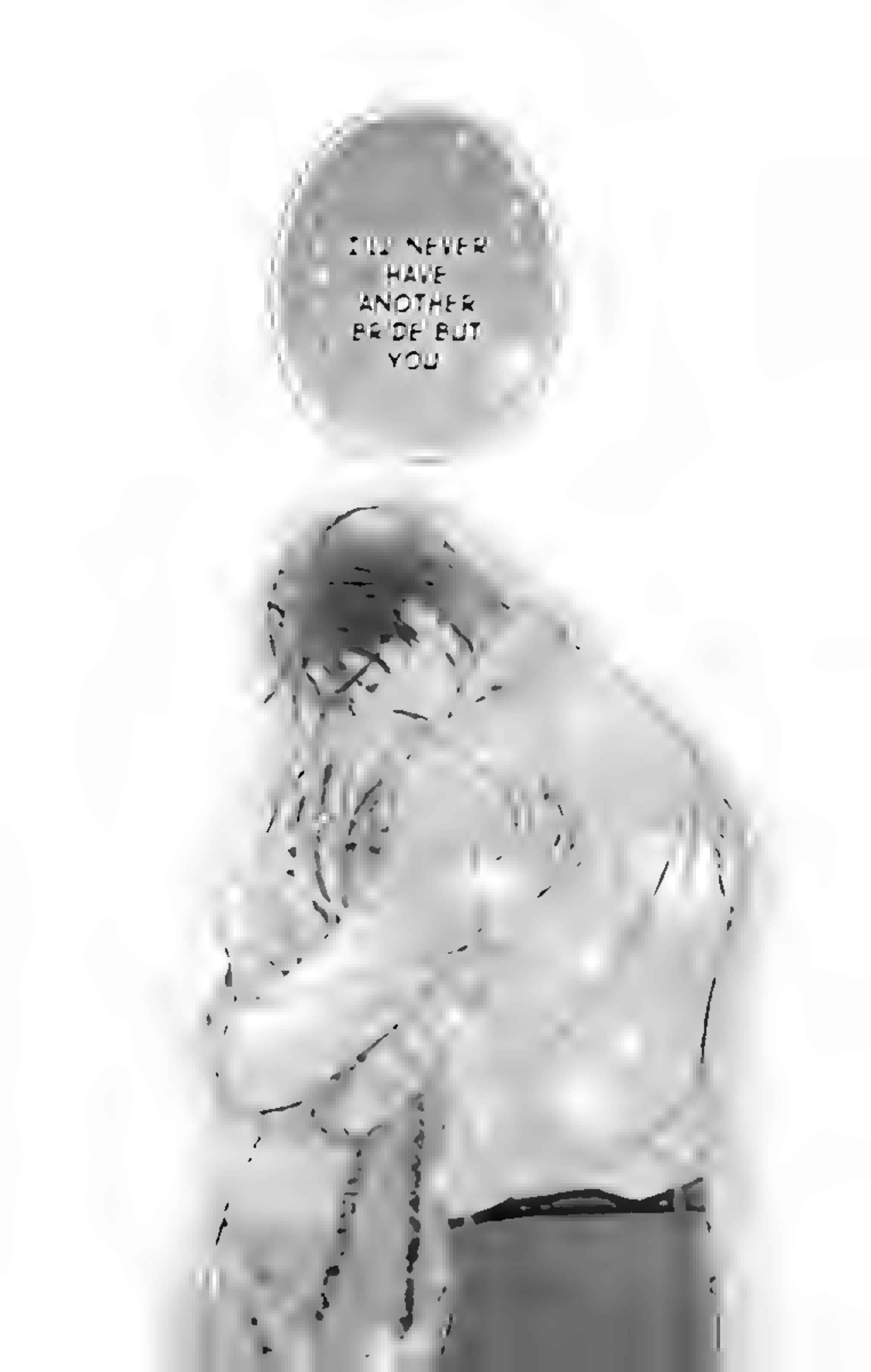
THEN...

WILL YOU MARRY ME AGAIN?

WHEN THINGS COOL OFF,

AND THE DANGER HAS PASSED ..

AS MANY TIMES AS YOU WANT.


I'LL NEVER
HAVE
ANOTHER
BRIDE BUT
YOU

This is the third time in my life I've filled out a divorce form

But...

Divorce Papers

DOESN'T YOUR WOUND HURT?

YOUR ARM ..

IT'S FINE.

BUT, IT WOULD BE ALL RIGHT EVEN IF IT WEREN'T.

This time it's for real

THIS IS THE LAST NIGHT WE CAN SPEND AS A HUSBAND AND WIFE.

I WANT TO SPEND IT EMBRACING EACH OTHER ALL THE WAY THROUGH IT

CHIWA ..

I MADE YOU CRY A LOT,

AND GO THROUGH A LOT.

I THINK I WASN'T A GOOD HUSBAND,

BUT BEING MARRIED TO YOU ..

Even if we're not a family or anything before the law,

even if the whole world has betrayed you,

I'll be the only thing you still have.

In return, I'll be by your side, I'll never leave you, so...

But you don't want to show your most real weakness. And I can't ask you about it.

...MADE ME HAPPY.

The truth is,

you're hurt much more than you're letting on, aren't you?

Only me...

JUMP

AH?!

WHAT'S THE TIME?!

EH?!

WORK—

HOKUTO..?

Where are you...?

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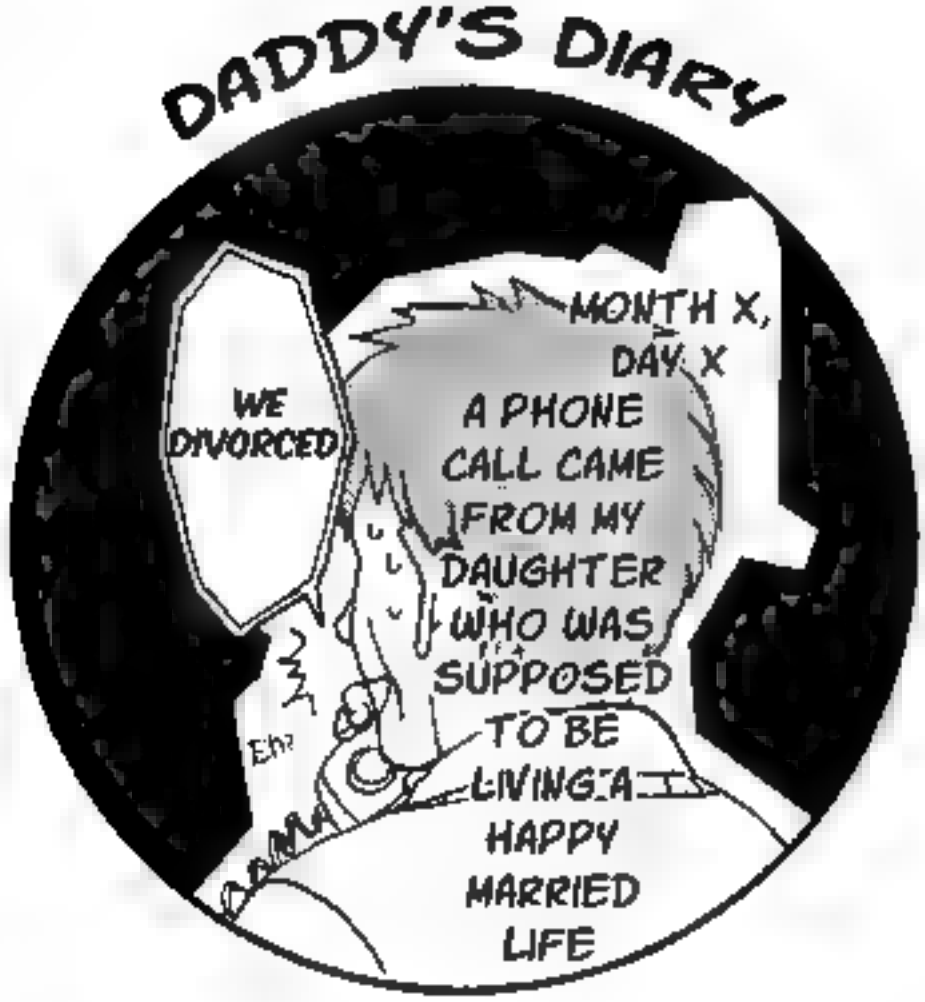
DADDY'S DIARY
WE DIVORCED
MONTH X, DAY X
A PHONE CALL CAME FROM MY DAUGHTER WHO WAS SUPPOSED TO BE LIVING A HAPPY MARRIED LIFE
Eh?

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Maybe t's just me but can I punch Katagari-sensei?! RAWR!

- Lacaille

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38th Step
What are you doing now?

WAKE UP ALREADY!

WHAT TIME DO YOU THINK IT IS?!

FLOP

Hokuto is gone.

WAH, WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU?! YOU'RE HORRIBLE!

I'VE LEFT YOU BREAKFAST, SO EAT IT UP!

YOU.. WHAT ABOUT WORK?

IT'S TERRIBLE THERE, SO I WAS ADVISED TO TAKE SOME TIME OFF

IT MAKES ME UNCOM-FORTABLE WHEN PEOPLE WORRY SO MUCH ABOUT ME

CHIWA ...

EH? WHAT?

...

That morning in the mansion, I was dumbfounded. Asahina-san came to get me out.

Looks like he received a mail with the details from Hokuto.

NO, NOTHING.

REALLY?

I'M WEEDING IN THE GARDEN. I'VE NOTHING BETTER TO DO.

I returned to my parents' house.

Just to be on the safe side, I went to the public office to check the information in the family register.

All ties to Hokuto have disappeared.

Which means that despite the divorce,

father and I may still be targeted.

The bodyguards Hokuto attached to my father are still working.

GOOD MORNING!

Pluck

Pluck

Pluck

Pluck

If Hokuto's making was his mother's death,

then mine was protecting this garden.

The things he wanted to accomplish

his life

his smile

Pluck

It took away his future with us.

...took him/her away from us.

In the end, the terror from father in law

...All

And
I believed so
strongly...

...that
I could
win...

PLUCK

PLUCK

Ah!

MAMIYA!

I lost the thing I wanted to protect.

WHY AREN'T YOU AT WORK?

ASAHINA-SAN.

I'M SORRY, IT WAS BY HABIT...

OOPS, AH ..

I CAME BECAUSE I WANTED TO TELL YOU SOMETHING

OH, NO, I DIDN'T NOTICE. I'M ALL RIGHT.

BUT I MET THESE PEOPLE AND THEY SAID THEY WERE LOOKING FOR THIS PLACE

EH?

YOUR HANDS

AH!

BLOOD

I LEAD THEM.

THE ROAD HERE IS COMPLI-CATED

GRAND-FATHER!

SOUMA-SAN..!

PLEASE

CLACK

I'M REALLY SORRY.. THE TRUTH IS,

I HAVE NO RIGHT TO JUST COME TO YOU ANY-MORE

I WAS WONDERING HOW YOU'RE DOING AFTER WHAT HAPPENED

N-NO, NO, THAT'S NOT TRUE.

MADAM,

WE, TOO, ARE LOOKING FOR HOKUTO-SAMA'S WHEREABOUTS

BUT FOR NOW, NOTHING...

SOUMA-SAN.

I'M NOT "MADAM" ANYMORE...

...

EXCUSE ME

BUT RIGHT NOW, I CAN'T THINK OF ANY OTHER WAY TO CALL YOU.

I KNOW IT'S TOO MUCH TO ASK, BUT COULD YOU ALLOW ME TO CALL YOU THAT?

IT'S THE SAME WITH HIM

EVEN IF HE WASN'T ONE OF THE MAMIYAS,

FOR ME, WHO HAS BEEN WATCHING OVER HIM SINCE HE WAS A CHILD, THE YOUNG MASTER OF THE MAMIYA HOUSE IS NOBODY BUT HIM

INSIDE ME, HE BECAME MY GRAND-SON.

FROM THE DAY SEIJI INTRODUCED THAT BOY AS HIS HEIR,

ALTHOUGH I'M SURE HE WOULD DISAGREE.

I'M THE SAME.

NO MATTER WHAT THE TRUTH IS, ALL THIS TIME FROM THEN UNTIL NOW, HAS LED ME TO FEEL THIS WAY

I CAN'T BELIEVE SEIJI AND HOKUTO WERE HARBORING SUCH FEELINGS I HEARD ABOUT IT FROM SOUMA FOR THE FIRST TIME

I DIDN'T EVEN DOUBT IT REALLY WAS

AND WHEN I HEARD THAT YOUKO-SAN'S DEATH WAS A CAR ACCIDENT,

I'M THE MAIN CULPRIT, SO TODAY, I'VE COME TO ASK YOU TO ALLOW ME TO BOW MY HEAD BEFORE YOU.

I'M REALLY SORRY.

WE INVOLVED YOU TOO DEEPLY IN OUR OWN AFFAIRS

AH, AHM,

I, TOO, DON'T KNOW WHAT WOULD HAVE HAPPENED TO ME IF YOU HAD NOT SAVED ME FROM THOSE DEBTS BACK THEN

NO. PLEASE STOP.

PLEASE ALLOW ME.

I'M GRATEFUL.

I WAS

...HAPPY ..

I WAS ABLE TO MARRY HIM AND FALL IN LOVE WITH HIM.

YUUKO-SAMA.

Tears

YOU..

"WERE ?"

Grand-father...

SO I WAS NEVER MEANT...

.TO HAVE ANY TIE TO YUUKO-SAMA...

AH, EXCUSE ME.

I'M BEING SUCH A EGOIST AGAIN.

I'M THE SAME.

BEFORE THE LAW, ALL MY TIES TO THE MAMIYA HOUSE HAVE DISAPPEARED,

BUT I DON'T FEEL AS IF I'VE GROWN DISTANT FROM YOU OR SOUMA-SAN.

I THINK WE'VE SPENT LONG ENOUGH TIME TOGETHER,

SO IF YOU'RE ALL RIGHT WITH ME, PLEASE, KEEP VISITING ME.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR DRIVER

HE SAID HE'S MOVING THE CAR A LITTLE

Ah, we're sorry

THE ALLEYS HERE ARE TINY, YOU SEE.

SOMEONE COMPLAINED ABOUT PARKING BIG CARS HERE

I'M SORRY YOU'RE SO GOOD TO THIS OLD MAN.

EHM .

Sob Sob

stare

stare

stare

IN OTHER WORDS, YUUKO-SAMA'S SON?

YES, MORE OR LESS...

YOUR FATHER, CHIWA-SAN?

YES.

MADAM,

AS IF IT WASN'T ENOUGH FIND-ING OUT THAT HOKUTO, THAT GREAT LAD, WASN'T MY GRANDSON .

I REALLY DON'T UNDER-STAND GENETICS

?

WE'RE LEAVING, SOUMA.

WE'LL COME TO SEE YOU AGAIN.

YES

A-
ASAHINA-
SAN,

WERE
YOU HERE
ALL ALONG?

NO, BUT
I TOLD YOU
I CAME
BECAUSE I
WANTED TO
SAY SOME-
THING.

DID YOU
DISINFECT
YOUR
HANDS?

I DID!
LOOK!

YOU SEE,
SAKURABA-SAN
WANTS TO HAVE
SOMETHING LIKE
A COMPANY
OUTING,

SO HE
SAYS ALL OF
US SHOULD GO
SOMEWHERE
TOGETHER.

WELL,
THAT'S HOW
IT IS.

IT'S
NOT MUCH
OF A TRIP,
THOUGH, HE
SAID...

PLEASE, TELL SAKURABA-SAN NOT TO WORRY TOO MUCH FOR ME.

BUT THANK YOU.

YOU COULD'VE JUST TOLD ME SUCH A THING OVER THE PHONE.

HEY!

YOU KNOW, I CAME TO SEE YOU.

AH, DON'T MISUNDER-STAND.

I DON'T HAVE ANY ULTERIOR MOTIVES. IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME SINCE THEN.

NOT BECAUSE THE BOSS TOLD ME,

BUT BECAUSE BOTH SAKURABA-SAN AND ME WANT TO HELP OUR CUTE KOUHAI

WELL THEN,

I'LL DROP BY TO SEE YOU AGAIN.

IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, GIVE ME A CALL.

GUST

Time...

Where did the time go that we spent with Hokuto?

Everyone...

...is so kind...

THE HOSPITAL IS CROWDED NO MATTER WHEN I COME.

Sigh

HE WAS RIGHT BY MY SIDE

UNTIL YESTER-DAY...

Hm? I know this voice...

Eh?!

Ka-Katagiri-sensei?!

Wah wah wah, I don't want him to find me.

Eh? Why is he in such a place?

Sneak

I COME HERE TO WORK ONCE A WEEK.

WHEN THE CLINIC IS CLOSED.

WHY ARE YOU HERE?

AH? IF IT ISN'T MAMIYA'S WIFE!

Long time no see!

BUT WHO WOULD HAVE THOUGHT ..

.SUCH A THING WOULD HAPPEN WHILE I WASN'T LOOKING

IS THAT SO...?

...

IT'S SUCH A SHOCK YOU'VE SPLIT UP.

THAT BASTARD SHOULD HAVE AT LEAST TOLD ME ABOUT IT.

I DON'T WANT TO HEAR THAT FROM A PERSON WHO RECEIVES SLEEPING DRUGS FROM...

...THE PSYCHO-SOMATIC MEDICAL DEPART-MENT.

EH?

AH, I'M BUSY, SO...

Especially today

YOU'LL RUIN YOUR HEALTH WITH SUCH FOOD.

BY THE WAY, IS THIS YOUR LUNCH?

WHY ARE YOU LAUGHING LIKE AN IDIOT?

I'M JUST CONCERNED ABOUT YOU—

DON'T SAY SUCH HORRIBLE THINGS.

IT'S DISGUST-ING

I'VE NEVER SEEN SUCH A LAUGHING FACE BEFORE.

THEN,

WHAT FACE AM I SUPPOSED TO MAKE ?

AND I CAN'T LOOK AS IF I'M THE MOST UNFORTUNATE PERSON ON EARTH, CAN I?

WHAT'S WRONG? CAN'T SLEEP

WHAT...

...SHOULD I HAVE DONE...

...SO THAT HOKUTO DID NOT LEAVE ME BEHIND?

I UNDERSTAND THAT HE LEARNED SOMETHING THAT TURNED HIS LIFE UPSIDE DOWN,

AND THAT HE'S HORRIBLY HURT

SO MUCH THAT I PROBABLY CAN'T EVEN IMAGINE IT.

I COULDN'T OFFER HIM THE LEAST BIT OF SUPPORT...!

BUT THAT'S EXACTLY WHY...

...I WANTED TO BE BY HIS SIDE.

AH

WELL.

...

Ah!

BUT...

I DON'T REALLY HATE YOU.

I'M NOT A PSYCHO-SOMATIC SPECIALIST,

AND I DON'T LIKE CRYING WOMEN.

SO I CAN'T TELL YOU ANYTHING GOOD.

Eck!

W-WHY IN FRONT OF THIS MAN?!

A-AH, I'M SORRY..!

YOU'VE BEEN KEEPING A LOT INSIDE.

NO, IT'S ALL RIGHT.

BUT YOU'VE LIVED WITH HIM...

...SO YOU ALREADY KNOW THIS.

HE HAS NEVER SAID ANYTHING THAT HE CANNOT DO,

AND HAS ALWAYS DONE EVERYTHING HE SAID HE WOULD

HE DOESN'T SPEAK OF THE THINGS HE CANNOT DO

HE HAS NEVER UTTERED A WORD ABOUT WHAT HE HOPES FOR.

AH...

I UNDER-STAND YOUR FESTERING FEELINGS,

BUT WHY DON'T YOU THINK A LITTLE MORE?

SEE YOU

IF YOU RUIN YOUR HEALTH, COME TO ME ANY TIME.

OH? LOOK AT THE TIME.

Lies...

It's true that I know...

...he never tells them.

I...

I was only thinking of myself and didn't see it.

"Once again, from the start."

Why did Hokuto disappear in the first place?

Why did I have to be left alone?

Then these words are not a lie?

I'M SORRY FOR MAKING YOU ACCOM-PANY ME THIS FAR

NO,

IT'S MY JOB.

EHM..

If I think carefully...

I'LL BE WAITING AT A LITTLE DISTANCE.

there would be trouble if I knew where he is.

He disappeared in silence probably because...

...the fact the man Hokuto hired is still here...

...means the bond between us is not completely broken.

Yes.

He didn't just disappear on me.

He had a goal...

AH

永之墓

There's no mistake.

Not so long ago...

THEY HAVEN'T EVEN WITHERED, YET

FLOW-ERS

Hokuto

was here

Several months later...

HOKUTO-KUN'S WHEREABOUTS

. ARE STILL UNKNOWN.

...want to protect him.

It doesn't matter how much time passes.

I want him to come back to our future together.

And I still...

IN CONNECTION WITH THE POST OF PRESIDENT OF MAMIYA TOURISM THAT SATORU TOOK TEMPORARILY,

AND OF THE PROBLEM WITH APPOINTING THE NEXT CHAIRMAN, A POST I'VE BEEN FILLING —

LET'S USE THIS OCCASION TO RESHUFFLE OUR HUMAN RESOURCES .

AND THIS IS ALL.

AH...!

STOP!

THERE'S A MEETING GOING ON —

OPEN

CHIWA-SAN!

JUMP

YOU'RE DIVORCED—

SILENCE!

WHY ARE YOU HERE?!

Step

I ALLOWED HER IN.

HOW?!?

MIURA YOUKO-SAN WAS HIS LOVER AND HOKUTO'S MOTHER.

AND SHE WAS MURDERED BY SOMEONE IN THE MAMIYA HOUSE

SHOCK

AS A MATTER OF FACT, SHE DIED PROTECTING HOKUTO, WHO WAS GOING TO BE MURDERED

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?! ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR MIND?!

I-IT'S THE TRUTH.

Talking

Talking

THAT'S

WHAT PROOF DO YOU HAVE?!

SLAM

SOMEONE WAS ALWAYS GETTING IN THE WAY OF FATHER-IN-LAW'S RISE IN BUSINESS AND IN LIFE

WHEN HE WAS CON-VINCED THAT HOKUTO WAS HIS SON AND CAME IN CONTACT WITH HIM,

THAT SOMEONE RAISED A HAND AGAINST HOKUTO AS WELL.

THAT'S SLANDER! WE'LL SUE!

W-WHAT?! YOU HAVE NO PROOF!

BUT!

THIS RINGS A BELL TO SOMEONE AMONG YOU, RIGHT?!

SEIJI-SAN TRIED TO PROTECT BOTH OF THEM

EVEN NOW,

SOMEONE IS TRYING TO HARM HOKUTO—

CUT THIS OUT!

BUT HE FAILED AND...

.YOUKO-SAN WAS...

!

THROW HER OUT.

HEY, CALL THE GUARDS!

WAIT, I STILL NEED TO TALK—

I'M STILL NOT DONE TALKING!

You're fired!

HOW DARE YOU ACT SO RUDE TO THE GRANDCHILD OF YUUKO-SAMA!

W-WE'RE VERY SORRY, BUT...

talking

talking

...WANTED TO BECOME CHAIRMAN BECAUSE...

Mumble

Mumble

GRANDFATHER, CUT IT OUT ALREADY

HOKUTO...

CHIWA-SAN..

I DON'T CARE! THROW HER OUT!

BUT BECAUSE HE THOUGHT HE WOULDN'T FIND THAT PERSON UNLESS HE WAS SILENT INSIDE !
AND WAS IT?!
MY MARRIAGE WITH NORUTO AND....

WHO WAS IT?!

HIS LIFE... WHO DESTROYED THEM?!

TH

BWAH!

UD

GET OUT

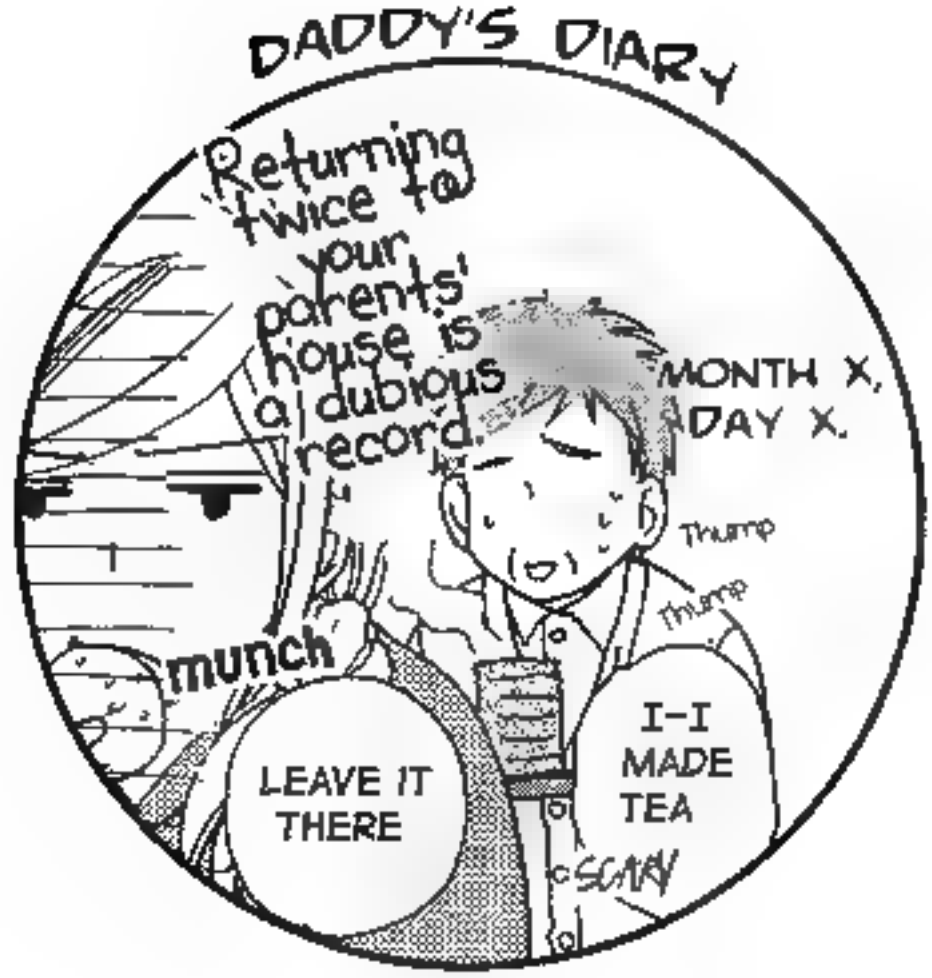
AH!

HEY. HEY

"DESTROYED"

THAT'S AN EXAGGERATION

MY LIFE IS NOT SUCH A BAD ONE, I THINK


DADDY'S DIARY
Returning twice to your parents' house is a dubious record.
MONTH X, DAY X.
Thump
Thump
munch
LEAVE IT THERE
I-I MADE TEA
SCARY

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Ever had to QC a smut chapter with your motner in the room?
AWKWARD~ XDD

- Lacaille

39th Step
Can I walk
with you
again?

I SWEAR...

...YOU'RE AS RECKLESS AS EVER.

AND I DIDN'T THINK I'D MEET YOU IN SUCH A PLACE.

YOU LOOK MORE ENER-GETIC THAN I THOUGHT... I'M RELIEVED.

W-WHY ARE YOU HERE, TOO?

SOU-MA?!

I'M SORRY FOR THE UPROAR.

WHAT'S HAPPEN-ING HERE?

ACTUAL LY——

I WOULD HAVE LIKED TO TALK IT THROUGH AT EASE, BUT...

I HAVE TO DO WHAT I CAME BACK HERE TO DO.

Talking

talking

I CAME TO STRAIGHTEN UP THE LAST TWENTY YEARS OF MY LIFE.

I THOUGHT HE MIGHT COME TO HARM IF IT BECAME KNOWN HE'D BE HERE TODAY, SO I KEPT SILENT.

HOKUTO-SAMA GOT IN TOUCH WITH ME SEVERAL DAYS AGO.

It's really...

...Hokuto..?

AND NOW...

I WANTED TO CLIMB TO THE TOP BECAUSE I WAS LOOKING FOR THE ONE WHO KILLED MY MOTHER.

WHAT SHE JUST TOLD YOU IS TRUE.

...MUCH FASTER AS AN OUTSIDER THAN AS AN INSIDER.

Talking

talking

IT ...

.. CAME AS A SHOCK TO ME THAT I ACHIEVED THIS GOAL. .

FORTUNATELY, THAT'S HOW I MANAGED TO ESTABLISH THE REAL CULPRIT

BUT ..

. .THEY ALSO TRIED TO RAISE A HAND AGAINST CHIWA AND ME, TOO.

SOMEONE MURDERED MY MOTHER TWENTY YEARS AGO.

He achie-ved it..?

IF THAT'S ALL THEY HAD DONE, MAYBE I WOULD NOT HAVE FOUND THEM OUT

NOW...

...I KNOW WHICH ONE AMONG YOU PLOTTED EVERYTHING AGAINST ME.

HOW-EVER,

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF NAMING THAT PERSON HERE.

THERE'S NO SUCH PERSON IN REALITY, IS THERE?!

ARE YOU KIDDING US?!

TALKING

WHAT DO YOU PEOPLE THINK YOU'RE DOING?!

Eh?

What does he...

WHAT'S THAT SUPPOS-ED TO BE?!

THREAT-EN..

IS IT...

...THE MONEY? ARE YOU TRYING TO THREATEN US?

EVEN YOU, HOKUTO-KUN..? WHY..?

NO.
I WANT A DEAL.

JUST AS I CAME THIS FAR BY STAKING EVERY-THING I HAVE,

YOU DID EVERY-THING YOU DID SO FAR BECAUSE THERE WAS SOMETHING YOU WANTED, RIGHT?

YOU HAVE SOME-THING YOU DON'T WANT TO LOSE, RIGHT?

I'M THE SAME.

I DON'T WANT TO LOSE CHIWA

SO BACK AWAY FROM US COMPLETELY.

BUT...

ALL I WANT IS TO LIVE A NORMAL LIFE WITH HER.

I TOLD THEM JUST TO GIVE HIM A BIT OF A SCARE, AND YET THAT MAN...

I DIDN'T THINK SHE'D JUST GO AND DIE.

Sh

EH?

ock

I DID IT FOR YOU, HUSBAND, AND FOR SATORU.

KA-KAYO? WHAT...

But that's the Chairman's wife, Satoru-san's mother...?

I hardly ever saw her because of her weak health.

THEY WERE ALWAYS SUCH AN EYESORE, THAT WOMAN AND HER CHILD.

...?!

?!

JUST BECAUSE THE DECEASED SEIJI-SAN WAS SOMEWHAT BRIGHT, MY HUSBAND WAS TREATED LIKE SECOND HAND MATERIAL,

EVEN THOUGH HE WAS THE ELDEST SON.

AND EVEN THOUGH HE ALWAYS HAD COMPLEXES BECAUSE OF HIS LITTLE BROTHER, HE NEVER HAD THE GUTS TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT HIM

SO THERE WAS NO CHOICE BUT FOR ME TO TAKE ACTION.

AND THIS TIME, THE CHILD SEIJI-SAN BROUGHT DARED TO STAND IN SATORU'S WAY

AND HIS WIFE STARTED TO GET WIND OF THINGS THAT WERE NONE OF HER BUSINESS. .

MO-THER .

Y-YOU . HOW COULD YOU DO SUCH A THING .?!

BECAUSE I WANTED YOU TO BE CHAIRMAN!

NO SUCH THING WOULD HAVE HAPPENED IF THE MAMIYA HOUSE HAD NOT TAKEN YOU IN

WHAT EGOISM .

DEAL, WHAT DEAL?!

AS IF I COULD TRUST ANYTHING YOU SAY!

LET'S GO .

I DIDN'T WANT TO SEE THIS HYPOCRISY.

DAMN.

OR SEE SATORU-SAN AND HIS FAMILY HURT.

Satoru-san...
Saori-san...

IT WILL BE DIF-FICULT,

BUT I'LL TAKE CARE OF SATORU AND SAORI-SAN FROM NOW ON.

EVEN AS THINGS ARE. .

IS IT REALLY ALL RIGHT. .? ABOUT THE POLICE .?

I WORKED SO HARD TO ENLARGE THE GROUP BECAUSE I THOUGHT IT WAS FOR MY CHILDREN'S SAKES, BUT WHO WOULD'VE THOUGHT IT WOULD LEAD TO THIS?

FIRST SEIJI, THEN YOU, THEN WHAT HAPPENED NOW...

I HONESTLY CAN'T TAKE THIS ANYMORE...

YES.

IF IT GOT OUT SOMEHOW,

THERE WILL BE A BAD EFFECT ON ALL COMP-ANIES IN THE GROUP.

THAT'S NOT WHAT I WANT, ESPECIALLY WHEN I THINK ABOUT ALL PEOPLE WHO WORK IN THEM.

BESIDES, THIS PLACE IS...

...THE PLACE...

...YOU AND FATHER...

...TREASURED AND PROTECTED.

FORGIVE ME...

.....

AND YOU SAID SUCH ADMIRABLE THINGS THIS TIME.

SOUMA

Graduated?

YOU'VE GRADU-ATED FROM A CHICKEN TO A HEN

IT WAS AS IF YOU'VE SHED A SKIN. OR MORE LIKE,

Drip drip

I WAS SO SUR-PRISED...

...WHEN I SAW YOU AFTER SUCH A LONG TIME.

YOU'RE A MAMIYA EXCLUSIVE SECRE-TARY, AND YET YOU HELPED ME, SUCH AS I AM NOW, UNTIL THE VERY END.

I'M SOR—

THANK YOU.

I SAID THIS TO CHIWA-SAN, TOO, BUT...

I'M SO HAPPY I COULD GROW MORE WRINKLES..!

Y-YOU'VE REALLY BECOME A HEN...

AH..!

YOU NEED TO GROW MORE WRINKLES...

WE'RE ALWAYS WILLING TO LEND YOU A HAND.

MAYBE THERE'S NOTHING MORE WE COULD HELP YOU WITH, BUT...

IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, CONTACT US ANY-TIME.

THANK YOU
VERY MUCH.

THE CAR IS PARKED A LITTLE FURTHER AWAY.

LET'S GO.

CHIWA?

WHAT IS IT?

WHERE ARE WE GOING?

WE'RE NOT HUSBAND AND WIFE ANYMORE.

I...

CAN WE GO TO YOUR HOUSE? I HAVE TO TALK TO YOU—

I'm such an idiot...

WHILE YOU WERE STRUGGLING ON YOUR OWN,

I WAS ROTTING ON MY OWN IN MY PARENTS' HOME.

RIGHT NOW, I DON'T KNOW HOW TO FACE YOU, HOKUTO.

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S ALL RIGHT TO TAKE YOUR HAND LIKE I USED TO DO BEFORE.

AFTER ALL, I COULDN'T DO ANYTHING..!

I wanted to see you.

I should just fly straight into your arms.

Then why?

WHAT AM I TO YOU NOW?

IS IT ALL RIGHT TO BE WHAT WE USED TO BE BEFORE?

I'M SORRY.

I CAN'T EVEN BEGIN TO APOLOGIZE FOR LEAVING YOU WITHOUT A WORD,

AFTER SAYING WHAT I SAID.

BUT EVEN SO,

I WANTED TO THROW AWAY ALL BONDS, ONCE AND FOR ALL.

IN A WAY THAT EVEN IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN TO ME,

YOU WOULD COME TO NO HARM.

I DIDN'T CARE ABOUT APPEARANCES AND MEANT TO USE ANY AND ALL TRICKS AVAILABLE TO PUT AN END TO THIS.

I DIDN'T THINK AT ALL ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS.

BUT...

I SUPPOSE THAT WAS ONLY FROM MY POINT OF VIEW

AND MAYBE..

I HAVE NO RIGHT TO STAND BY YOUR SIDE ANYMORE.

IT'S EXACTLY AS YOU SAY.

WE CAN'T BE CALLED LOVERS.

Why am I making Hokuto say such things?

AH...

I'm...

BUT EVEN SO,

I STILL WANT TO TOUCH YOU.

THAT'S ALL.

To make such a face?

This is so...

I'M
BACK.

I USED MY PERSONAL CONNECTIONS FROM BACK WHEN I WAS A PRESIDENT AND DID SOME SNEAKY THINGS I COULDN'T DO WHEN I HAD A POSITION TO WATCH OUT FOR

AND

SO HOW DID YOU DO IT SO QUICKLY?

YOU NEVER COULD FIGURE IT OUT UNTIL NOW

HEY, HOW DID YOU FIND OUT WHAT HAPPENED TWENTY YEARS AGO?

EH?

WAS IT UNCOM-FORTABLE? WHAT DID YOU EAT?

YOU DIDN'T GET ILL, DID YOU?

SHUT YOUR MOUTH ALREADY.

EH? AH, ALL RIGHT.

LET'S LEAVE THIS FOR LATER.

IS IT SOME-THING I SHOULDN'T ASK ABOUT?

WHERE WERE YOU HIDING?

SOUMA-SAN WAS LOOKING FOR YOU ALL OVER, BUT COULDN'T FIND YOU

HEY, HEY, AND HOW AND WHERE DID YOU LIVE?

THUD

AT LEAST TELL ABOUT WHEN YOU WERE GONE—

BECAUSE I COULDN'T BE WITH YOU!

HOW COULD YOU?! I'M WORRIED ABOUT YOU, YOU KNOW?!

"NAG" ...?!

WHAT'S WITH YOUR NAG-NAG-NAG-NAG...?

I HAD TO DO WITHOUT FOR SO MANY MONTHS

LISTEN HERE!

SO WHY ARE YOU MAKING ME WAIT EVEN LONGER?

DON'T YOU

UNDERSTAND THAT I WANT TO GET IN ASAP?

BLUSH

Get

EH!

SWW

YANK

I DIDN'T MEAN TO MAKE YOU WAIT,

AND I HAD TO DO WITHOUT, TOO, AND —

UGH... EHM ..

I'M NOT LISTEN-ING.

NO!

IT'S TOO SOON!

JUST SOME MORE...

YOU'RE WET.

WHY?

N-NO, WAIT, A SEC,

NOT YET —

I'M PUTTING IT IN.

.....

AH...

AH.

CHI—

AH.

CHIWA.

huff

Huff

IDIOT!

Y-
YOU'RE
AN

Eh?

IT
HURTS

IT'S
BEEN
TOO
LONG

A
LITTLE
BIT

IT'S AS IF
I'M BACK TO
MY FIRST
TIME

WHA!

chuckle

Pfft

WHAT'S
SO
FUNNY?!

chuckle

AH, I FEEL BETTER. IT'S YOU, AFTER ALL.

I'M FINALLY BACK.

ALL RIGHT.

COMPLAIN TO ME AS MUCH AS YOU WANT.

IDIOT.

.....

I LOVE YOU
VERY MUCH.

SO NEVER LET GO OF ME AGAIN

ALL OF YOU BELONGS TO ME, HORJTO

All the thoughts I had until now are slowly melting away.

Inside me and inside Hokuto.

And...

It's finally just the two of us.

HN..?

I'M SO GLAD... IT WASN'T A DR-EAM.

.....

HOKUTO, YOU'RE HERE, RIGHT?!

EH?

OH, NO.

WHEN DID I FALL ASLE—

DAD MIGHT GET HOME ANYTIME NOW.

LET'S GET UP—

T-T-THERE'S SOME OUTRA-GEOUS THING ON MY FINGER!

It's sparkling!

Sparkling!

YEAH ...

YOU WOULDN'T WAKE UP, SO I JUST STUCK IT ON YOUR FINGER

"STUCK IT?!"

WAAAAAAAAAAAH!

IT MIGHT BE TOO LATE TO SAY IT, BUT...

I REMOVED MYSELF FROM THE MAMIYA FAMILY REGISTER.

I'M BACK TO BEING MIURA HOKUTO

EH?!

CHIWA...

MARRY ME.
AGAIN.

...I HAVE NOTHING

THIS TIME ..

I DON'T EVEN HAVE GOALS NOW.

NOT THE MAMIYA NAME,

NOT A PRESI-DENT'S POSITION.

AND IF YOU'RE ALL RIGHT,

ALL I HAVE LEFT...

EVEN WITH THIS...

...IS MY LOVE FOR YOU.

WITH PLEASURE!

Our future...

...starts again, from here.

Is this what a woman receiving a ring should ask?!

I'M UNEM-PLOYED, BUT NOT BROKE.

YOU'RE UNEM-PLOYED AND BROKE

AND YET YOU BOUGHT SUCH A BIG ONE. . IS THIS ALL RIGHT?

<39th Step Can I walk with you again?> *The End*

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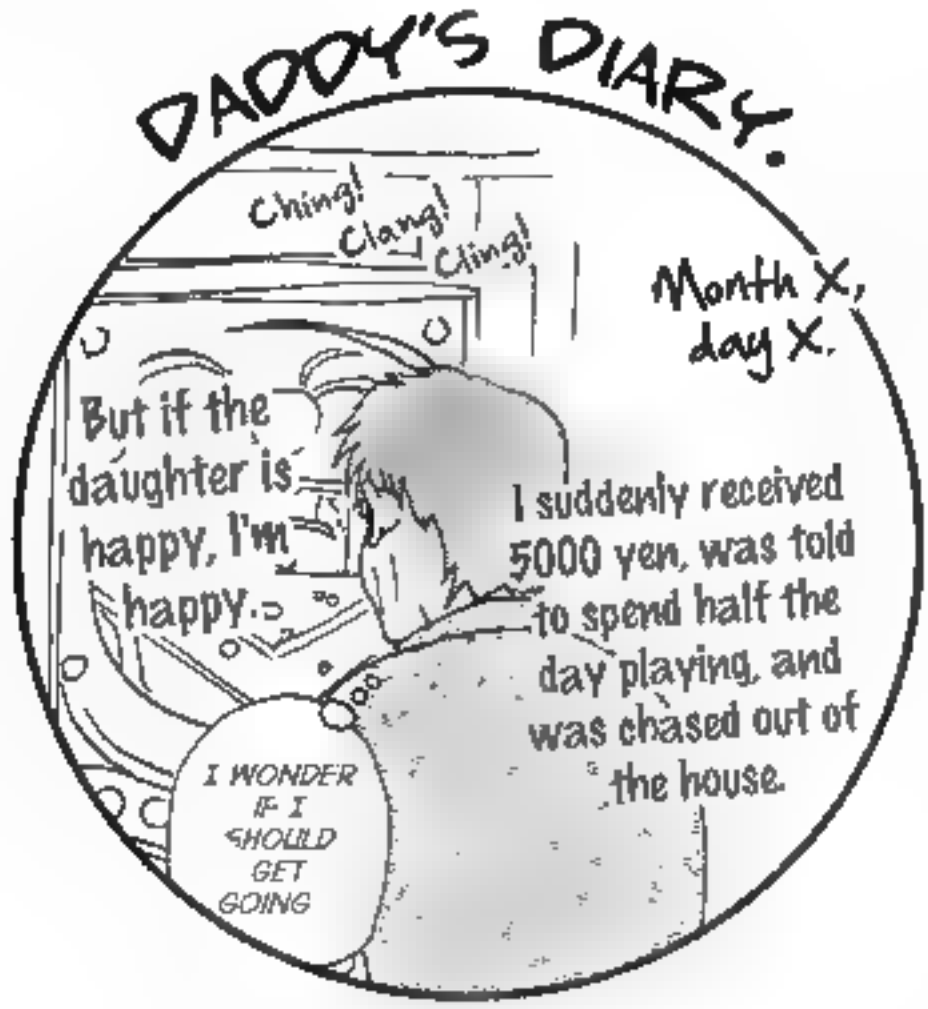
DADDY'S DIARY.
Ching! Clang! Cling!
Month X, day X.
But if the daughter is happy, I'm happy.
I suddenly received 5000 yen, was told to spend half the day playing, and was chased out of the house.
I WONDER IF I SHOULD GET GOING

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THE RAPID TEAM BEHIND YOUR FAVORITE RELEASES!

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Dang~ Hokuto is such a sadist~ <3 Makes us want to *beep*beep* him some more~

- Lacaille

Last Step
Happy Marriage!?

AGRH!

I CAN'T TAKE THIS, TODAY OF ALL DAYS!

TONIGHT

I AM NOT SLEEPING WITH YOU!

...

I WON'T! I'LL ABSOLUTELY NOT!

Sigh

THEN I DON'T WANT TO HEAR ABOUT IT, EVEN IF YOU GET LONELY.

Last Step
Happy Marriage!?

It's the final volume! Profile 2 / Hokuto

Birthday: 17th of August 1980
Blood Type: B
Height: 184 cm
Weight: ? kg
Loves: His wife, Italian cars, Beer
Hates: Ambulances, Pickled plums

The king of sexua narassment. (Or so I, the author, think.)
Right now, his eyes are shining at the very mention of Lamborghini Aventador, but Ciwa is dead set against buying it.
About his Ferrari... he used it once and then where did it go..?
He is supposedly born in summer, but then why is he named "Hokuto*," asked my supervisor.
I just stuck it to him without giving it much thought.
He seems to be actually a good singer!

*Note: His name means the constenation Ursa Major, "The Great Bear," "The North Dipper," "The Great dipper," etc.

Lacaille: *snickers* Hokuto, The Great Dipper, yeah... XD

The mansion we used to live in was disposed of at the event of our divorce,

so Hokuto is living with me at my parents' house.

Hello.

I remarried Miura Hokuto, who deleted his name from the Mamiya family register, and thus I became Miura Chiwa.

But...

SHUT UP.

I DON'T HAVE TO REPORT EVERY SINGLE THING I BUY TO YOU.

WHY?!

WHY DID YOU BUY STUFF WITHOUT SAYING A WORD TO ME?!

HOW MANY TIMES HAS IT BEEN?!

...for some reason, we're quarreling every day...

BUT WHY A DOUBLE KING SIZE?! IT DOESN'T FIT IN THE ROOM!

I'M NOT USED TO SLEEPING ON A FUTON WHAT ELSE WAS I TO DO?

DIDN'T YOU USE TO SAY THAT YOU LIKE THEM WIDE, TOO?

I THINK IT'S VERY USEFUL.

SIGH

YOU DON'T GET IT! I'M SLEEPING SOMEWHERE ELSE TONIGHT!

THAT'S NOT THE PROBLEM!

WHAT?

ARE YOU SERIOUS?!

ANYWHERE!

IF I SLEPT WITH YOU—

WHERE WILL YOU SLEEP?!

FLASHBACK

AH!

HN .

AHH ..

NO

I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE HOKUTO, HURRY..

YOU GET THE REST...

..IF YOU APOLOGIZE FOR THIS AFTERNOON.

IF YOU APOLO-GIZE,

I'LL CONTI-NUE

EH?

HOW?! THAT WAS YOUR FAULT, HOKUTO! I WAS JUST—

AH, IS THAT SO? THEN THIS IS ALL FOR TONIGHT.

AGRH! ALL RIGHT! I GET IT! I'M SORRY! SORRY!

SO JUST..!

GOOD NIGHT

WAIT A—

End of flashback

Sigh

IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR APOLOGIZING EVERY TIME...

We made up, so what's the problem?

WHAT ARE YOU TALK-ING ABOUT?! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO COMES AT ME EVERY TIME!

YOU DO THIS EVERY SINGLE TIME WE FIGHT! IT'S WEIRD!

YOU ALWAYS MAKE ME DO SUCH UNFAIR STUFF LIKE THAT!

JUS N

AND YOU CAN'T EVEN SLEEP WHEN I'M NOT AROUND..

HMPF.

ANYWAY! UNTIL YOU APOLOGIZE, I WON'T BACK OFF THIS TIME.

...

I.

I CAN'T LIVE *WITHOUT* YOU, BUT ..

...WITHOUT SEX WITH YOU!

I CAN LIVE JUST FINE...

SHOCK

Holcuto was through a lot of bad things, lost both his parents, even changed his name.

Why does it have to be like this?

SEE YOU! G'NIGHT!

We have a problem here

I should be treating him more gently.

In retrospect, we're fighting about trivial things.

Am I that cold-hearted?

I thought that when everything was over

life would return on its own to peaceful marital existence

Anime style or actually

How Am I

...about his egocentric character that decides everything on his own...

But something must be done...

Blub

Blub

Nor that I'm any different

SPLASH

...that only one of us should make compromises for the other one's sake.

But I really don't think it's right...

I'M GOING

SLIDE

HEY

WHAT WAS WITH THAT ATTITUDE THIS MORNING?

PISSED PISSED PISSED

HOW CAN WE MAKE UP IF I CAN'T AP-PROACH HER?

CAN'T BE HELPED HER BIRTHDAY'S SOON, SO LET'S GET HER SOME PRESENT

Even if we love each other,

maybe our characters are fundamentally incompatible...

I-MAX

Several days later

MA-... I MEAN, MIURA!

I HAVE SEVERAL SUGGESTIONS FOR THE FIRST AFTER PARTY.

EH. ?

Cute? Or fashionable? Which is better?

I WANT TO KNOW WHICH KIND YOU PREFER?

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

WHAT "WHAT" ?

YOU'RE PLANNING A WEDDING CEREMONY, RIGHT?

EH?!

AH...

WHAAAAT?!

YOUR HUS-BAND ASKED ME TO TAKE CARE OF THE...

. AFTER PARTY PREPARATION.

He said he ought to leave this to the professionals.

STAMPEDE

BANG

HOKUTO!

WHA—

WHAT WEDDING CEREMONY?!

WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS?!

YEAH, IT'S TRUE.

I THOUGHT I'D LIKE YOU TO WEAR A WEDDING DRESS.

AND I TOLD HIM TO CONSULT ONLY ME...

Wasn't that enough to shut him up?

SO IT'S TRUE?!

ASA-HINA?

WHY ARE YOU ALWAYS LIKE THIS?! WHY DO YOU DECIDE EVERYTHING IMPORTANT ON YOUR OWN?! WHY?!

THAT'S NOT SOMETHING YOU DO IN SECRET!

WHA...

WHA

BUT I MEANT TO PLAN EVERYTHING IN SECRET.

SO YOU'RE NEITHER HAPPY NOR SURPRISED?

WHAT?

STOP..

I THOUGHT IT WOULDN'T WORK IF IT WEREN'T A SURPRISE.

I WANTED TO MAKE YOU HAPPY

BUT WE HARDLY HAVE TIME TO SPEAK, LET ALONE TO HAVE SEX

EH

WE WON'T

ALL RIGHT THEN.

STOP BEING SO SELFISH!

YOU!

Wha..?

MAKING ME HAPPY IS NOT WHAT YOU WANT.

WHAT I'M SAYING IS THAT ..

...YOU NEVER CONSULT WITH ME AND DECIDE EVE-RYTHING ON YOUR OWN.

ALL I WANT FROM YOU IS TO LET ME KNOW.

Teary

THAT'S ALL...

I CAN'T TAKE IT ANYMORE

WHY DO I GET MAD LIKE THIS ALL THE TIME...?

DROP

I'VE BEEN THINKING...

. ABOUT WHY I CAN'T BECOME MORE TOLERANT.

I SHOULD JUST TOLERATE EVERYTHING YOU DO.

LIKE SHITARA-SAN DID

WHY BRING HER UP?

BUT I CAN'T.

THAT'S NOT ME.

WE'RE TWO PEOPLE WHO WOULD HAVE NEVER MET.

OR AT LEAST NEVER DATED IF THEY MET. IF ALL THOSE THINGS HAD NOT HAPPENED

IN A SENSE, WE WERE BROUGHT TOGETHER BECAUSE YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES WERE WHAT THEY WERE

BUT...

NOW THAT ALL OF THAT IS DONE WITH

JUST THE TWO OF US, MISMATCHED

WE'RE LEFT WITH VALUES.

AND WAY OF THINKING THAT ARE JUST TOO DIFFERENT

SO...

I WAS WONDERING IF WE'RE NOT COMPATIBLE...

SO?

WHO GIVES A DAMN?!

YOU'RE NOT EVEN LISTENING TO ME!

I SEE. THIS MEANS JUST TRYING TO MAKE YOU HAPPY IS NO GOOD.

SO WE CAN'T ACT LIKE LOVERS. I UNDERSTAND

BECAUSE WE'RE HUSBAND AND WIFE.

THEN, LET'S FIGHT FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES,

WIFE.

I GET IT.

COME STORM-
ING AT ME
ABOUT EVERY-
THING YOU
DON'T LIKE

AND THEN
LET'S MAKE UP
AS MANY
TIMES AS IT
TAKES

I'LL TAKE
IT ALL AND
STILL
STAND

I DON'T
KNOW ABOUT
COMPATIBLE,

BUT THE ONLY
CERTAIN THING IS
THAT I LOVED YOU
THE WAY YOU
WERE RIGHT FROM
THE START

THE YOU WHO
NEVER GIVES
UP ON ME

COME.

I WILL.

W-WON'T YOU GET TIRED OF IT?

BUT

I THINK THIS IS WHAT MARRIAGE IS.

SLAM!
DC THAT
WHAT THIS MACHINE MIGHT DO!

IT THINKS SOMETHING YOU DON'T WANT TOLD ME, SHE'S TOLD ME.
TELL ME.

No matter
how much
we fight

we still want
to be together
forever

THAT WE WEDDING CERE-MONY ?

EH? WHAT. DO YOU WANT TO GO THROUGH WITH IT?

IF WE TALK IT OVER TO-GETHER

I THINK I I DO

I SEE

BUT HOW D.D YOU COME UP WITH SUCH AN IDEA SO SUDDENLY?

I SEE ONE WEDDING DRESS IN TOWN SOMETIMES

SO I IMAG-INED YOU IN IT

AND THAT S ALL?

MORE OR LESS THE REST IS

PICKING THE GUESTS

WE CAN ONLY CALL THE GRANPS AND SOUMA ANYWAY.

HM? DID THEY MAKE UP?

THERE AREN'T ANY OTHER RELATIVES AND COLLEAGUES I CAN INVITE.

Satoru-san and his family won't come even if I invited them.

YOU DON'T HAVE FRIENDS, EH, HOKUTO

Drop it.

I ONLY WANT DAD AND SAKURABA-SAN, AS MY BOSS

WE CAN LEAVE THE WEDDING PARTY TO ASAHINA-SAN, TO DO WHAT HE WANTS

THERE'S ONE MORE THING...

..I NEED TO DISCUSS WITH YOU.

IF YOU'RE HAPPY WITH YOUR CURRENT JOB, I WON'T PUSH YOU,

BUT IF YOU WANT TO HOP IN ON THE BUSINESS I'M STARTING,

THEN I'D LIKE TO HAVE YOUR HELP WITH IT.

ALL RIGHT.

I'LL DO IT.

EH?

WILL YOU BE ALL RIGHT WITH ME?

I MEAN, YOU'RE GOOD.

IT'LL BE FINE.

And take back what you said earlier It's a problem.

Yes

DO YOU, MILDA MORETO, ACCEPT THIS MARRIAGE AS THE GUIDANCE OF GOD,

AND SWEAR TO FOLLOW HIS WILL AND FULFILL YOUR DUTY AS A HUSBAND AND LOVE YOUR WIFE ALWAYS,

AND TO HONOR AND CHERISH AND PROTECT HER FOREVER,

IN SICKNESS AND IN HEALTH, IN GOOD TIMES AND IN BAD,

AND TO BE FIRMLY FAITHFUL TO HER FOR AS LONG AS YOU SHALL LIVE,

UNTIL DEATH DO YOU PART?

Hokuto feels different than usual today

I should be used to seeing him in a suit but

I wonder how I'm reflected in Hokuto's eyes today?

I know now I'm not saying anything

YES, I DO

THEN EXCHANGE THE WEDDING RINGS,

AND KISS THE BRIDE

I love you very much, Hokuto.

DO YOU, BRIDE CHIWA, ACCEPT

( )

UNTIL DEATH DO YOU PART?

Y-YES! I DO!

The fun things and the things that hurt, all of them...

I've been sharing with Hokuto.

And I will from now on, too, forever.

HEY!

AH- I'M SORRY I WAS JUST FASCINATED

.. WELL, THAT'S ALL. RIGHT.

Ah!

THE KISS.

WHY ARE YOU SPACING OUT?

Once again, I entrust you with the rest of my life.

My husband.

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

CONGRATULA-TIONS!

CONGRATU-LATIONS!

CHIWA .. YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL...

Waaan!

I'VE BEEN CRYING SO MUCH LATELY, I'LL WRINKLE...

YOU LOOK LIKE YUUKO-SAMA WHEN SHE WAS A BRIDE!

AND HE'S NOT JOKING ABOUT IT AT ALL...

IF ONLY I WAS FIFTY YEARS YOUNGER...

I have to struggle through...

...just a little bit more.

IT'S A BUSTLE, BUT GET IN THE CAR!

THE BRIDE AND THE BRIDE-GROOM!

I'LL DRIVE YOU TO THE WED-DING PARTY!

POOF

YAY!

CONGRATS!

※ All concerned from Mamiya Enterprises

Kyaa!

Kyaa!

WOOOW!

YOUR DRESS IS SO CUTE!

Kyaa!

...

T-THAT IS NONE OTHER BUT THE EX-PRESIDENT OF MAMIYA!

WHAT DID THAT TAKANASHI PULL..?

NO WAY!

THEN I WAS TRANSFERRED TO THE NORTH BECAUSE OF THIS?

Refer to volume 6

EH?!

Oh no

Takanashi! What's going on here!

Ah, long time no see!

I THOUGHT IT WAS PRETTY ROUGH, BUT YOU MANAGED TO SETTLE EVERYTHING?

GOOD FOR YOU!

KATAGIRI-SENPAI

YO! CON-GRATS.

KATAGIRI-SENPAI, YOU NEVER HAD ANY INTEN-TION TO MARRY

NEITHER DID YOU

DO YOU THINK IT'S THAT GOOD TO BE TIED TO THE SAME WOMAN YOUR WHOLE LIFE?

BUT SAY, PER-SONALLY ..

IT'S TRUE IT WAS EASY BEING ALONE.

I HAD NO IDEA MAR-RIAGE COULD BE SUCH A BOTHER.

IT'S WORTH IT.

WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT, TOO, SENPAI?

Even if you say that. . .

EH? BUT YOU MAR-RIED BE-CAUSE YOU LIKED IT, RIGHT?

TALKING

WHAT IS IT?!

TALKING

T-TAKANASHI, WHAT IS IT?!

KYAH!

Thud

EHM... JUST A LITTLE DIZZY.

ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

THAT'S NOT THE PROB-LEM!

YOU'VE BEEN UNWELL THIS WHOLE TIME?

WHAT? AREN'T YOU WITH FEVER?

TALKING

TALKING

I'M ALL RIGHT IT'S NOTHING SERIOUS.

...

SHO CK~

Boss!

YOU SAID NOT TO DECIDE EVERYTHING ALONE!

WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME ANY-THING?!

WHY DON'T YOU UNDER-STAND THAT YOU'LL CAUSE MORE TROU-BLE THIS WAY?

WE COULD'VE MOVED THE DATE OF THE CEREMONY AS MUCH AS WE WANTED!

WHAT ARE YOU, A KID WAITING FOR THE SPORTS FESTIVAL?! IDIOT!

DON'T CALL ME AN IDIOT!

BUT I WANTED IT EXACTLY TODAY, AT ALL COSTS!

WE'VE BEEN PREPARING FOR IT TOGETHER FOR SO LONG!

AND YOU'RE RECKLESS!

Gyah!

STOP THEM

SOMEONE

AND YOU'RE TOO VIOLENT, HOKUTO!

Gyah!

HERE, I BROUGHT YOU WATER

DON'T PUSH YOURSELF

I JUST TOLD YOU

STAGGER

..

EH?

DON'T YOU WANT TO DRINK?

..

ARE YOU ANY CHANCE...

...PREGNANT?

WAH!

I see!

AH...

EH..?!

WHA... WE'RE STILL IN THE MIDDLE OF THE WEDDING PARTY!

END?!

WAIT A... HOKUTO?! WHAT?! WHAT'S HAPPENING?!

SHUT UP. WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO YOU?!

LIKE WHAT?

WE'RE GOING TO THE HOSPITAL TO HAVE YOU TESTED.

AND WHO COULDN'T LAST EVEN ONE HOUR AND FAINTED?!

Gyah!

Gyah!

THERE'S ONE HOUR LEFT! IT'S ENDING IN AN HOUR ANYWAY!

I DID, BUT!

AND YOU DON'T EVEN KNOW IF I'M REALLY PREGNANT!

AGRH, IT'S FINE!

AH, PLEASE, CALM DOWN, BOTH OF YOU!

THIS SHOULD BE A HAPPY DAY.

WE'RE BOTH FINE WITH THIS!

You are.

I'M JUST WORRIED.

ABOUT YOUR HEALTH.

WHY DO YOU MAKE ME SAY SUCH THINGS NOW?

AND IN FRONT OF PEOPLE.

THEY MADE UP?!

YES. I'M SORRY..

UGH

DID THEY MAKE UP?!

Ohhh

BUT

IT FEELS AS IF THEY UNDERSTAND EACH OTHER BETTER EVERY TIME THEY FIGHT.

YOU TOO, SAKURABA-SAN? ME TOO. IT GETS PRETTY INTENSE, RIGHT?

STRAIGHT TO THE HOSPITAL ONCE THIS IS OVER

YEAH

SO THEY'RE CALM NOW?

THIS IS THE SECOND TIME I'VE SEEN THOSE TWO FIGHT.

IT'S A LITTLE EARLY, BUT LET'S CLOSE THE PARTY.

Here

THE BRIDE-GROOM HAS THE LAST SPEECH.

HM? IS SHE OUT HUSBAND-HUNTING?!

Men who are always gentle are no good.

AH, ASAHINA-KUN, YOU FINALLY NOTICED!

I'M THE TYPE WHO CAN'T GET MARRIED.

. BECAUSE I WANT TO AVOID CONFRONTATION AND ALWAYS TREAT GIRLS GENTLY?!

Here you go.

BUT WE'RE THE HAPPIEST PEOPLE ON EARTH BE-CAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO ARRIVE TO THIS DAY.

THERE WERE TWISTS AND TURNS AND UPS AND DOWNS,

THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GATHERING HERE TODAY FOR OUR SAKE.

BUT WE WILL BECOME EVEN HAPPIER FROM NOW ON.

AND LAST, A FEW WORDS FOR THE BRIDE. BECAUSE IT'S A SPECIAL DAY.

I ALREADY KNOW THAT THIS IS POSSIBLE,

AS LONG AS I DO NOT GIVE UP ON HER AND SHE - ON ME.

I LOVE YOU.

Kyah!

Ohh!

Whoot!

Whoot!

WELL, I GUESS ONCE IN A LIFE-TIME IS ALL RIGHT.

SAY...

SAY IT AGAIN!

MY HEART WASN'T READY THE FIRST TIME!

Come on, please!

NO.

BUT IT'S THE FIRST TIME YOU'VE SAID IT TO MY FACE!

IT'S PRE-CIOUS EX-ACTLY BE-CAUSE IT'S A ONCE IN A LIFETIME THING.

NOT FAIR!

Until death
do us part.

In good times
and in bad.

In sickness
and in health.

We swear to
keep on fighting
forever.

<Last Step Happy Marriage?!> *The End*

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